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APPLICATION OF	)
CHRISTIAN AICHINGER ET AL	) ART UNIT: 1645 )
SERIAL NO.: 10/621,866	) EXAMINER: ROBERT A. ZEMAN )
FILED: JULY 17, 2003	) CONFIRMATION NO.: 1752 )
TITLE: METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING INHIBITORS OF THE 20S AND 26S PROTEASOME	) ) ) )

## **AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated January 7, 2009. A petition for extension of time to respond to the Office Action and fee by way of authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2510 accompanies this Communication, bringing a response to be due on or before June 7, 2009. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and fee by way of authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2510 is also being filed concurrently herewith to reopen prosecution of this case.

Kindly amend the application as follows. Upon entry of this Amendment, Claims 1 and 12 will be pending in the case.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

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